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MEMORANDUM FOR: Desmond Fitzgerald, SAS

1. Tom Foley of the Cowles Publications, who edits the "Insider's Letter," telephoned to say that he has been told that some fifty to sixty American citizens have gone to Cuba for a four months' period of training in subversion, traveling via Mexico so as not to require United States passports or visas.

2. Foley had read Mr. McCone's testimony as released by the Selden Subcommittee and was familiar with Mr. McCone's statement that the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City gives a trainee a visa on a separate piece of paper so that a passport, when he goes home, will only show Mexico. This testimony referred only to Latin American citizens and not to United States citizens.

3. I told Foley that we would make no comment, as was our policy, but that he should check with the FBI, which is responsible for the internal security of the United States. He said he had checked with the FBI, and they know nothing of this. He said if this is a counter-intelligence effort to penetrate the Castro schools, maybe the story should be played down or not used at all. I told him, again, I thought he should check with the FBI and certainly we would not express any opinion as to whether he should or should not run a story because of alleged efforts of penetration.

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